IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFIC

In re the application of:

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Serial Number: 08/817,704

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Group Art Unit: 1644

Examiner: Cunningham, T.

For: USE OF ERYTHROPOIETIN IN THE TREATMENT OF RHEUMATOID

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<u>PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME</u>

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

September 30, 1998

Dear Sir:

Applicant petitions the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated March 31, 1998, for three (3) months from June 30, 1998 to September 30, 1998.

Enclosed please find a check in the amount of Nine Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$950.00) to cover the cost of the extension. In the event that any additional fees are required with respect to this paper, please charge our Deposit Account No. 14-1060.

Respectfully submitted,

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